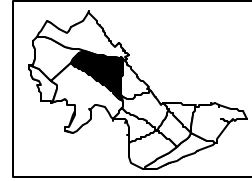


NEIGHBORHOOD 9

PEABODY



BOUNDARIES: bordered by the B&M Railroad, Concord Avenue, Garden Street, and Massachusetts Avenue

POPULATION: 11,169 residents
5,208 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$36,608

Neighborhood #9 is encompassed by Car 5 (2 officers) and Car 9R (1 officer). It also includes walking routes 9A, 9B, 9C, and 9D.

2002 FIRST QUARTER REVIEW

The number of **housebreaks** Peabody has experienced surged during the first quarter of 2002. Numerous sprees developed during the later half of January into early February, including a spree overnight in late January accounting for 6 breaks. Two of these breaks were at the same apartment building on Lancaster Street, with a third at the neighboring building. In these breaks, a suspect description was given, but no arrests were executed. The most likely time for housebreaks during the first quarter was during the day (3 p.m. to 11 p.m.) on a weekday, possibly while the victims are at school and/or work. • The number of motor vehicles crimes usually imitate each other – if **larceny from motor vehicles** decrease, then so do **auto thefts**, as was the case this quarter. Both crimes were reduced by over 60%. • **Malicious destruction of property** increased by 31%, following an increasing trend which was set last year when the number of incidents nearly doubled, due in part to a major series of graffiti incidents targeting business and residential buildings. Four of the five graffiti incidents occurred on Richdale Ave., also imitating last year's trend. A mini-spree of tire slashings took place in mid-February, where two different motor vehicles found all four of their tires flat at a parking lot on Garden St.

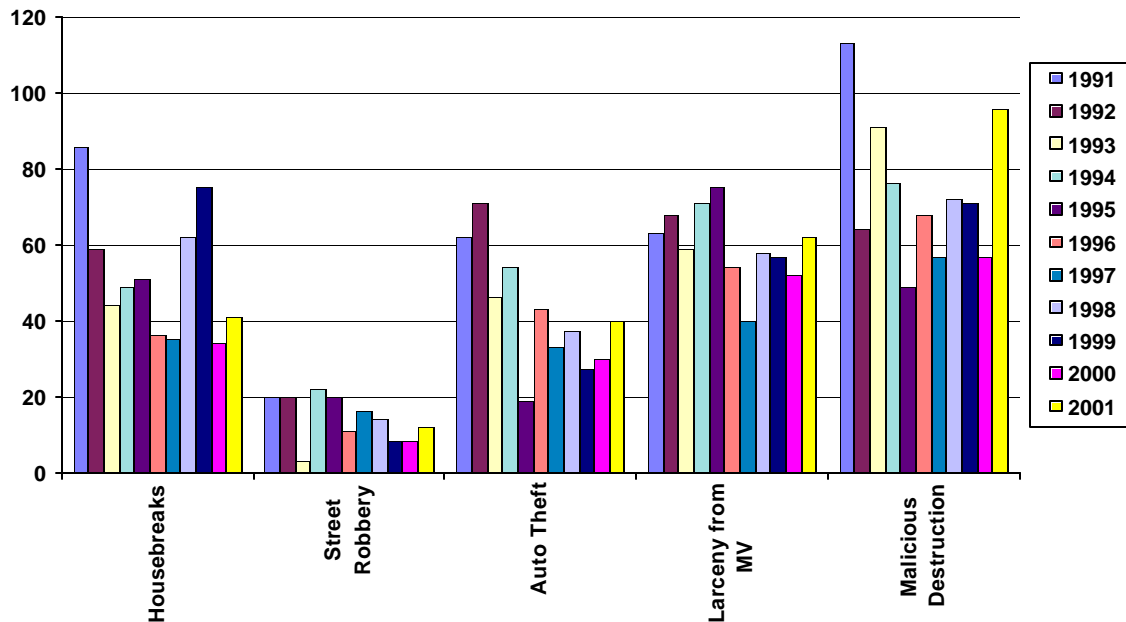
COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS FIRST QUARTER 2001 & 2002

CRIME	1 st Q 2001	1 st Q 2002	% CHANGE
Housebreaks	2	16	+700%
Street Robbery	1	0	<i>Inc.</i>
Auto Theft	13	4	-69%
Larceny from MVs	12	4	-66%
Malicious Destruction	19	25	+31%
Drug Arrests	3	0	<i>Inc.</i>

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Peabody has the second highest population in the city, yet most of its crimes are at or below the city's average. The neighborhood's residents include several large apartment complexes, a public housing development (Lincoln Way) and hundreds of single and double family houses. Peabody boasts two of the biggest public parks in the city: Cambridge Common and Danehy Park. Also contained within its borders are Radcliffe College. Large commercial establishments mark Massachusetts Avenue and Walden Square Road.

- Cambridge Common has traditionally experienced after-dark crimes ranging from **public drinking** and **drug use** to **robbery** to **sexual assault**. Increased preventive patrol has diminished such occurrences in recent years.
- Summer **housebreak** patterns sometimes plague Richdale Avenue and Upland Road. This year, clusters returned to that region, though the crime has radically declined in other sections of the neighborhood.
- **Auto theft** and **larceny from motor vehicles**, though low in this neighborhood, show concentrations on Richdale Avenue and in the triangle formed by Massachusetts Avenue, Upland Road, and Avon Street.
- Drug activity and juvenile crime have long been concerns in the Walden Square area. The Narcotics and Juvenile Units began targeting these areas in 1993 and have almost eliminated the patterns.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR PEABODY AREA TARGET CRIMES

Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2001*
Housebreaks	150	3	53	5	7
Street Robbery	21	6	14	8	6
Auto Theft	94	8	43	7	6
Larceny from MVs	74	8	60	7	6
Malicious Destruction	135	2	73	9	5

*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest